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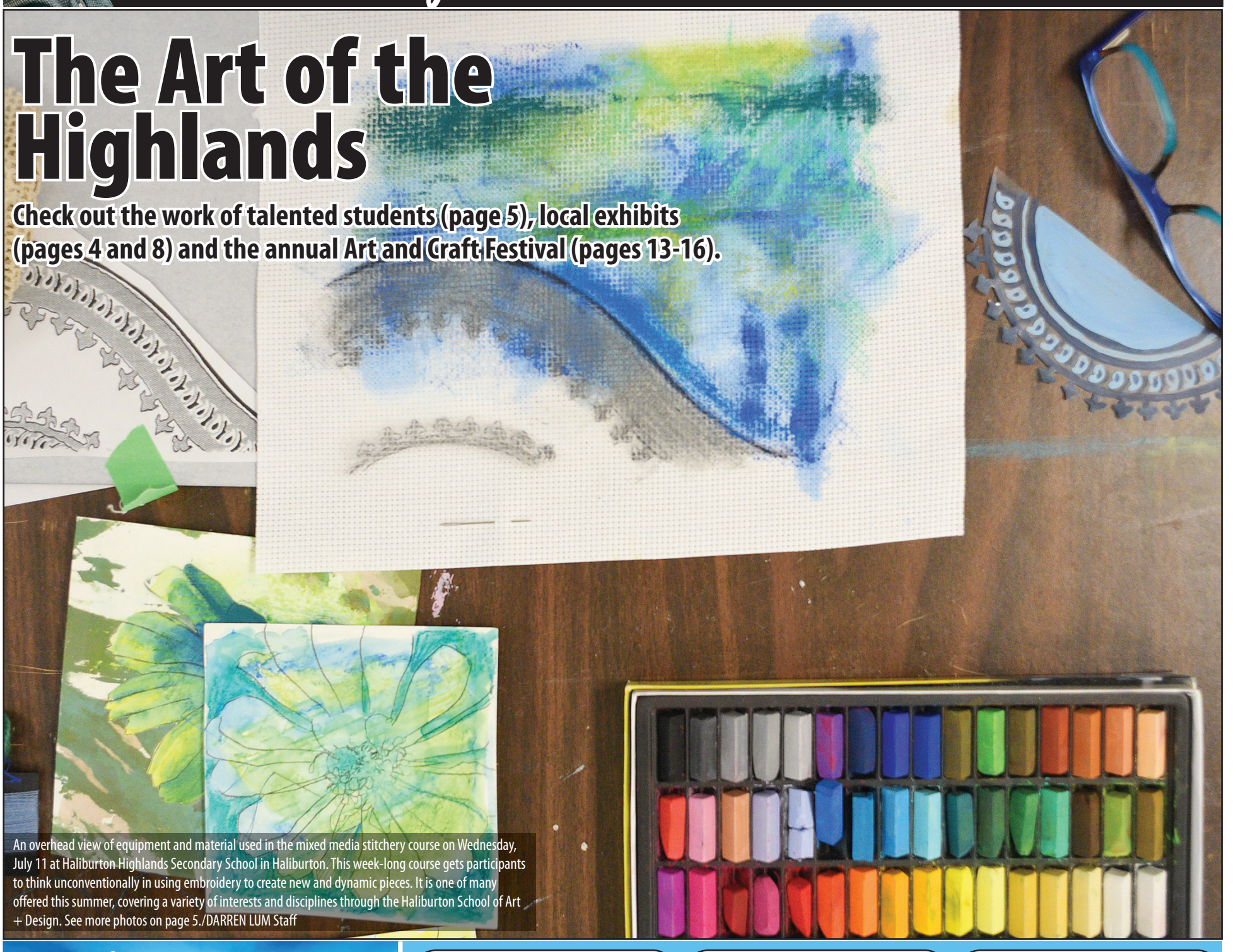

An overhead view of equipment and material used in the mixed media stitchery course on Wednesday, July 11 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton. This week-long course gets participants to think unconventionally in using embroidery to create new and dynamic pieces. It is one of many offered this summer, covering a variety of interests and disciplines through the Haliburton School of Art + Design. See more photos on page 5./DARREN LUM Staff

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Landscapes of wax and thread

Layered Landscapes: Wax and Thread by Ava Roth is now showing at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Roth's encaustic sewings are a unique combination of encaustic painting and embroidery. Some of the materials Roth uses include beeswax, barn board, leather and linen. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

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Mixed media stitchery instructor Kate Carder-Thompson shares a laugh with student Lynda Mariani of Toronto on Wednesday, July 11 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The school is hosting classes from Haliburton School of Art + Design through the summer. This week-long course gets participants to think unconventionally about using embroidery to create new and dynamic pieces. This course is one of many offered this summer, covering a variety of interests and disciplines./DARREN LUM Staff

A participant in the mixed media stitchery course sews on Wednesday, July 11 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton.

Land Trust ready to 'rock our world'

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust wants you to add them to your dance card and buy a ticket to Rock Our World, a fundraising dance on Aug. 10 at the Haliburton Legion.

Local band Cheeky Monkey will open an evening of fun. The featured band is a one-man dance band, Jamie Williams Entertainment.

Jamie has performed at universities, resorts, nightclubs and many different types of hotels and events. In recent years, he has been very much involved with resorts in and around Ontario, from family oriented summer resorts to the slightly crazier atmosphere of ski resorts. He also plays at many corporate events, sports banquets, wedding dances, and any other venue where great live music is the ticket to a successful event.

Jamie explains: "My stage setup usually consists of 10 guitars (acoustic, electric, six-string, 12-string, bass), banjo, two mandolins (different tunings), banjo, electric violin, piano/keyboard, saxophone, percussion (kick drum, snare, bongos, chimes, shakers etc.) and an arsenal of harmonicas. I'm told it's very entertaining. I'm glad because I love to play!"

Money raised will help get the new Barnum Creek Nature Reserve up and open for public use.

"We are planning to build a trail head kiosk, install signage and trail markers on the 500 acre property located just five minutes from Haliburton Village. Our community is so fortunate that Leo and Margaret Dobrzensky had the foresight to protect this amazing property in perpetuity through their donation to HHLT," says Mary Lou Gerstl, land trust chairperson.

The land trust would like to thank the many sponsors who have donated both cash and auction items to date. Along with the dancing, participants will enjoy a delectable appetizer buffet and a fine selection of silent and live auction items.

"There is something for everyone," says Joan Duhaime, a land trust director. "We truly appreciate all the support people are showing for our conservation efforts. This will be our one big fundraiser this year and it's going to be a lot of fun."

Help the land trust meet its stewardship fundraising goals by buying a ticket online at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca, at Up River Trading Company, or call the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust office at 705-457-3700.

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Canada Day captured in Highland Grove

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Highland Grove Museum

Canada Day in Highland Grove took inspiration from the area's past. Activities included references to the importance of wool and sheep to the region's history, pottery, taxidermy as well as Indigenous peoples' history. /Photo submitted

As memories fade on the activities in Highlands East during Canada Day 2018, and tales of fireworks diminish, Highland Grove can revisit the day for many years through their historical society's dedication to documenting the community in hardcover books. Canada Day was an educational opportunity to recognize activities that Indigenous and pioneer occupants experienced.

The museum was established as a genealogy society, recording the approximately 50 pioneer families of the area. The records are found in the seasonal log school house and in the off season in the recreation centre. Visitors were energized as the chief genealogist, Joanne Burroughs, pointed out references to their past relatives.

The Highland Grove Museum has established a 50 years mentality: if a community or individual event is worthy of remembering 50 years from now, then it demands that volunteers record it in a hardcover book. Canada Day 2018 in Highland Grove will be remembered.

This year a combination of displays and hands-on activities greeted visitors. Since sheep were important in this area, a spectrum of activity noted their importance in the past and present: spinning wheel, wet felting, needle felting, patterns for sheep skin gloves, sheepskin pelt and weaving loom operation. Participants worked on projects and took handfuls of fleece, needles and ideas back to their homes.

Lots of pottery, mostly pinch pots were made and labeled. After drying, they will be fired and families can pick them up and paint them at the centre if they desire. Although pioneers were not potters, Indigenous people fired pots in the area.

Buffalo hides were traded across Canada and were used for making clothing for First Nations. Locally made split hide buffalo coats, complete with long fringes were available for wearing and picture taking. Buffalo hide was also made into finger thimbles for painting by children.

Related to spinning yarn on a spinning wheel was making cordage bracelets of artificial sinew. This Indigenous skill is exactly the process of making two ply on a spinning wheel, but done with fingers. Indigenous people developed the craft several thousand years ago, long before spinning wheels.

The taxidermy display caught lots of attention. Many adults who live in the area are unable to identify martens, fishers, weasels and mink, but almost everyone knows the otters, beavers and porcupines.

Documenting community activities in a hardcover book has captured some important events. Over the past year, the Society has documented the complete process of building a birch bark canoe by the Kijicho Manito Madaouskarini Algonquin First Nations in collaboration with the North Hastings Bancroft Heritage Museum. This book shows the craftsmanship of the Algonquins as they promote their culture.

The museum has been documenting activities that take place in the community with a 50-year mentality. If they think something may be of interest in 50 years, it's worth recording. /Photo submitted

More recently the museum recorded a complete record of the Try It workshop in Haliburton that promoted local skills, entrepreneurial activity and volunteerism in the area. To plan a similar activity in the future, one has only to open the book and see the previous events.

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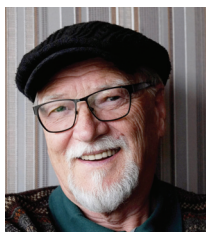
Nature's Place: new exhibits fun and inspiring

NATURE'S PLACE is part of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, which also contains a Heritage Village and the Agnes Jamieson art gallery. Nature's Place is a nature interpretive centre with a mandate to educate, inspire and expand our understanding of nature, and our place within it. It's a place where visitors can experience interactive, digital displays and exhibits that reflect different facets of the unique Haliburton Highlands ecology.



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Nature's Place is a church-like, straw bale structure, with two feet (60.96 cm) of straw between the walls. The combination of the straw and mud daub plaster, on exterior and interior walls, gives the building an air-tight seal and structural rigidity, and its excellent insulation properties keeps it cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

Inside, there's a small, welcoming room where large wall panels explain the straw bale construction technique and the credo of R.D. Lawrence (1921-2003), a well-recognized Canadian naturalist and wildlife author, who lived in the area during the latter part of his life. There are also informative brochures on the area as well as a mini gift shop where such items as butterfly garden kits, root viewers and toad houses can be purchased.

The main part of the building consists of one large room with a high-peaked, wood-covered ceiling. The relaxing sounds of recorded birdsong, and a floor-to-ceiling tree, give the space a woodlands ambiance. The room is packed with displays, videos, and wall panels that inform the viewer of such hot ecological topics as climate change, species at risk, invasive species and recycling.

Though these are serious topics they are presented in an entertaining way, which assists the viewer in understanding the issues. There are computers where kids or adults can access a climate atlas, and learn about the importance of bees and gardens. At one of the play stations youngsters can construct a model of a turtle underpass, which, in real life safely guides turtles from one side of a road to the other. Another play station features the climate change information quiz game, and, on the habitat wall, kids can match magnetized, cut-out images of wildlife, to their specific habitat.

Nature's Place also features a glass case containing pottery shards and arrowheads, which were used by Indigenous people before the arrival of European settlers. Indigenous peoples used the water routes of the Haliburton Highlands as access to their summertime hunting grounds, but no permanent settlements have been unearthed. Another case displays some of R.D. Lawrence's many published books, as well as his old typewriter.

The back wall of Nature's Place is dedicated to the geology of Haliburton County, and two, brightly-lit glass cabinets display the wide variety of minerals and gemstones that can be found in the area.

Another wall contains a large map of The Land Between, and a TV monitor which shows a video that explores this ecotone in greater detail. Basically the Land Between is a large area that lies between the southern Ontario Lowlands and the Canadian Shield, and which contains the geology, flora and fauna of both areas. Haliburton County is part of The Land Between and that's why the region is so rich in the diversity of minerals, plant and animal life.

There are new displays every year at Nature's Place, and this year's newbies features such items as up-to-date information on bats, and graphic and textual information dealing with plastic pollution, and its impact on communities. Next to the mineral cabinets are tables covered with more minerals. These minerals are not behind glass, and visitors are encouraged to pick them up to experience their different textures and properties. There are new panels on the state of amphibians and there's also an exhibition of nature photography in the centre of the room.

But of special interest to people of all ages, is an installation called Shaping Watersheds. It's an interactive, augmented reality sandbox in which contour lines and water flows are projected. You can build a mountain, lake, river, dam or a wetland with the special sand. You can also make it rain and direct the flow of water from one area to another. It's proved to be so popular that kids compete with the adults for access to the sandbox.

Time spent in Nature's Place is enlightening, informative and entertaining, and on leaving you can experience the rest of the cultural centre, or take a walk through the adjacent wetlands, along the boardwalk. Nature's Place: it's a great place to visit and have fun.

Nature's Place is open from Victoria Day weekend to Thanksgiving weekend, from Wednesday to Saturday. The rest of the year is for specific lectures and events only. For more information call 705-286-3763.

Heat wave on Head Lake. /JENN WATT Staff

Top 10 reasons no one has invented the bunk-couch

THERE WAS A time (yesterday, between 2:05 a.m. and 2:09 a.m.) I spent every waking moment wondering why no one had ever invented the bunk-couch – a multi-level couch, sort of like a bunk bed. I mean, on the surface, it seems like a good idea, right?

Well, here are 10 reasons why it isn't.

1. We already have a hard enough time finding our TV and satellite remotes.
2. It would give cats a higher vantage point from which to attack.
3. If you were on the bottom level, all you would smell is foot odour.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

4. You would have to buy bunk coffee tables too.
5. Ceiling fans.
6. Who wants to climb down a ladder just to get more chips?
7. We have enough couch potatoes already.
8. Your kid would still find a way to fully occupy both.
9. Six-foot-high Ottomans might obstruct the lower level view.
10. How much change do you really want to lose?

Writers share their stories at Tall Pine Tales

JENN WATT
County Life Editor

It takes constant effort to write well, MC Mike Jaycock told the group of writers gathered in Haliburton on Wednesday evening. Over the course of his career, he learned the importance of sentence structure, research, proofreading and the resolution it takes to scrap it all and start over again.

Good writing can make people feel deeply. Jaycock's grandfather, a farmer who moved from Saskatchewan to England in the 1930s, would write letters about his life to his loved ones. Jaycock has a bundle of those letters he would never part with.

"They still can move me to tears," he said.

He congratulated those who came together at the Community Room in Haliburton for Tall Pine Tales for their writing work and for volunteering to read before an audience.

One of three evenings put on by Cottage Country Writers, a group that represents Haliburton and Muskoka areas, the evening included seven writers: Wendie Donabie, Pauline Johnson, Marie Gage, Judy Snoddon, Sharon Lawrence, Ruth Walker and Joe Ingham. Their work covered issues serious and whimsical, delivered to a receptive audience.

Johnson, who was one of the event's organizers, read her work called *Crusty Buns* about a curmudgeon baker she once knew. Her story of kaiser buns held hostage by the neighbourhood grouch kept the crowd giggling.

The next evening of stories is to be held in Baysville on Tuesday, Aug. 7; and the last evening will be in Bracebridge on Tuesday, Aug. 28.

For those interested in honing their writing skills, the Reading-Writing Connection meets twice a month. Everyone is welcome to attend their meetings held in Haliburton and Minden. Get in touch with Sharon Lawrence if you're interested: srdlawrence@sympatico.ca.

Bracebridge writer Judy Snoddon shared her story about the flowers in her garden during Tall Pine Tales on July 18 at Haliburton's Community Room. The event featured writers from Muskoka and Haliburton, who took to the podium to read their work aloud. / JENN WATT Staff

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Catherine Carr gets close to the finish line at Katie's Run in Haliburton on July 7. Carr competed in the 10km race. The annual event includes a 2.5km walk/run, 5km run and 10km run. This year's event included approximately 250 runners and many volunteers.

Running to fund epilepsy research

Runners were all smiles crossing the finish line at Katie's Run on July 7 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The event is now in its seventh year and has raised more than $200,000 for epilepsy research. /ANGELICA INGRAM Staff

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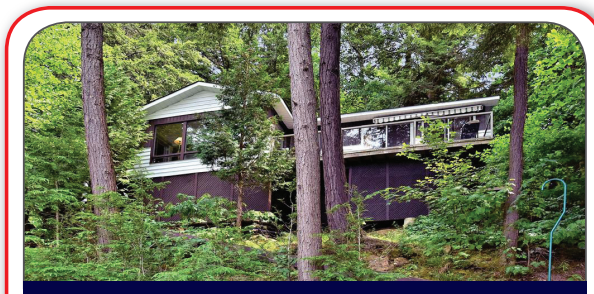

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Anna Whitmore Original Art - Visual Art
Arabesque Pottery - Clay
Argent Whimsy Jewellery - Jewellery
Artech Studios - Glass
Artwear by Deed - Wearable Art
Artworx Glass Studio - Glass
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Beach Baby Bath & Body - Body Care
beadKRap - Jewellery
Bee Kind Organics - Other
Bijouxbead by Darlene Martin - Glass
Blackbird Pottery - Clay
BOKO International - Wearable Art
Burn Island - Sculpture
Carla's Fine Jewellery - Jewellery
Carlo Allion - Visual Art
Celtic and Medieval Stonework Sculpture - Home and Garden Accessories
Cherrywood Cutting Boards - Home and Garden Accessories
CLAUSTRO - Visual Art
Clear Mind - Jewellery
Cori Lee Marvin Watercolours - Visual Art
Creeggan Clay - Clay
Dan Ferguson Pottery - Clay
Danny Pollak Accessories - Jewellery
Dash of Love Designs - Wearable Art
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Desserts and Skirts - Wearable Art
Dotti Potts - Clay
Dusty Deed Photography - Visual Art
Earth Art - Blake Richardson - Visual Art
Emma Gerard - Jewellery
FEAK - Wearable Art
Fire Forged by Jennifer Cahill - Furniture/Fine Woodworking
Fish Eye Sisters - Home and Garden Accessories
Garden Art by Sandy - Home and Garden Accessories
Glass by Jo - Glass
Glass Eagle Studios - Glass
Gu Central - Wearable Art
Handley Acres Custom Creations - Sculpture
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irina rapaport studio - Wearable Art
JACKIE WARMELINK POTTER - Clay
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Out of Ruins - Glass
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Sarah Hillock - Visual Art
Sawdusters - Furniture/Fine Woodworking
Silver N Such - Jewellery
Snaffle&Mane - Home and Garden Accessories
Solar Woodcuts - Furniture/Fine Woodworking
Solid Leather - Wearable Art
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Spoonstruck - Jewellery
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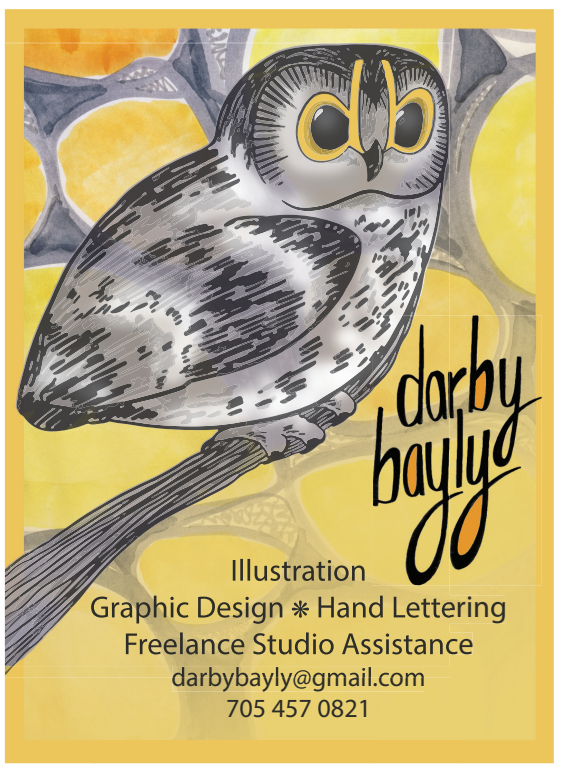

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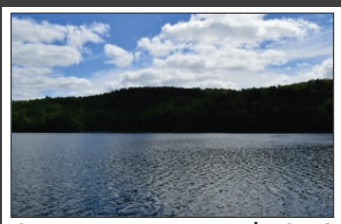

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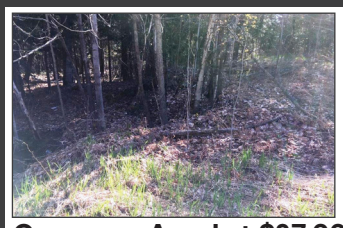

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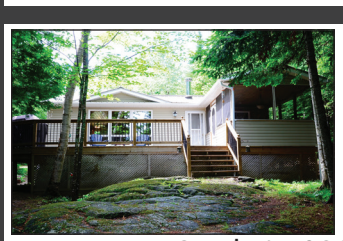

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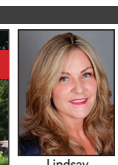

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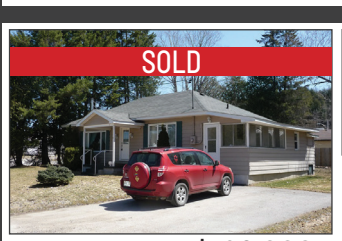

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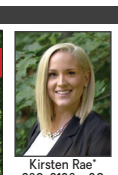

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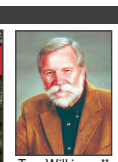

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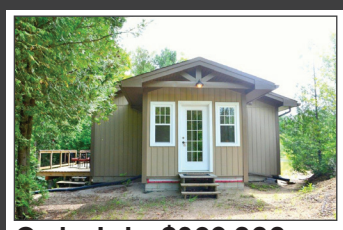

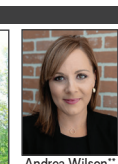

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My Cup Runneth Over

I love my coffee! So in preparation for a four-day silent meditation retreat at Chapin Mill Retreat Centre in Batavia, New York, I included a small container of "good" coffee grains, a few filter papers and a manual plastic dripper. I was pretty sure of getting hot water. I awoke on the first morning at 5 a.m., 30 minutes before the 5:30 a.m. bell signalling the time to wake up. And 30 minutes before the start of the 6 a.m. meditation, the first one-hour long meditation. Meditations would continue throughout the day until 9:15 p.m. with bouts of walking meditation and two meals, one at 10 a.m. followed by shared chores and the second final meal of the day at 5 p.m. I did my yoga stretches in my private room, soothed by the gentle morning breezes and first rays of light. I proceeded to the dining room with my coffee "kit." When I got there, I was joined by five others like myself. We each took our coffee. We each sat in silence at separate tables sipping in the morning in a state between sleep and wakefulness. I'm pretty sure I was the only one with a coffee "kit," the others satisfied with the instant coffee available along with various teas. I felt satisfied with my one good cup of morning coffee and drank tea intermittently throughout the day. How luxurious!

On the second morning, I awoke rather anxious, quickly dressing, quickly stretching and rushing into the dining hall to make my coffee, sit and sip in downtime before the first meditation. I took a serviette and placed the plastic dripper with the used grinds on the wood table next to my cup that I placed on a coaster. When I got up to dispose of the grinds I noticed there was a circle stain on the table. I had been not mindful. I had been careless. I fretted about my action in silence throughout the day. I had to confess and take the consequences of my action. As this was a silent retreat, any form of communication, short of an emergency needed to be conveyed in written notes to the person concerned, in this case, Chris, the retreat organizer:

To: Chris

"I left a coffee stain the the wood table this morning. How can I take care of it?"

And before the 5 p.m. meal, Chris wrote back:

To: Barb

"Show me the stain."

I made eye contact with Chris. We walked over to the table with the stain and I pointed to it.

To my surprise, he pointed out another stain, not mine, and then, he gestured it was OK and then, he hugged me.

It was not the response I anticipated. I grew up used to being scolded and punished for carelessness. I actually couldn't believe it at first. There was a second note from Chris two days later that I also couldn't believe:

To: Barb

"Sorry, I accidentally opened your door as I was looking for someone else and thought it was their room."

To: Chris

"That's OK."

My cup runneth over!

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Kindness

Lady Gaga posted a video on Facebook which caught my eye and then my heart.

It's about her idea of Kindness. It is worth exploring and using as a means of helping to create world peace and justice for everyone. As she spoke she was animated but very serious.

She makes the point that Kindness is free and won't hurt you or anyone else. Some people find real kindness suspect and are suspicious of true kindness, but on the whole I feel she is right. Kindness doesn't require money, only the will to put it into practice.

It is especially useful to be kind in times of chaos and disruption such as the possibility of climate change unchecked or nuclear war. Hate is intelligent, the trigger for all kinds of evil, in fact it is evil. It causes people to mistrust each other often because they are a different colour, religion or sexual orientation. If a leader can make people hate each other then he or she can control them because their hate makes them weak and separates them from each other. This is happening right before our eyes now. It is terrifying to be so close to war and out of control weather.

If everyone acted in kindness all the time we would have no war and could co-operate in regard to climate change. Everyone has different ideas of who's to blame for climate change or if it even exists. We argue against each other even though we are all in the same boat. If the boat (planet) goes down we will all drown. Most of these disagreements would end if we were kind to each other.

We need to treat all of humanity as one and make sure that everyone has food, water, safety and an acceptable life. But that's not what we're doing. The rich get richer and the poor starve. This situation will not even save the rich as they also have to breathe the air and drink the water of a ruined planet.

Separate cities and communities are doing good things for the planet. They are recycling, banning plastic, using solar power and focusing less on fossil fuels to run all their equipment.

We need to take the labels off people and treat each other as one human entity. Kindness is the only thing that all people understand and appreciate in one another. I agree with this premise but the frustration is to get people to be kind, to care about their fellow humans and this small planet we live on.

The answer for all of us has to be Kindness!

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In the longest day…
Summer is here
Lush green

Light reflecting
Diamonds across water
Life, re-birth
Abundance and ease

Moving through
All the softness
And warmth of this season
Striving to be still

Still enough
To feel that longing
To find that place where
I belong

Re-member-ing the essence
Of who I am
In the rush of life
So, fleeting, the current so strong

Mind boggled
With distraction
Choosing the right
Mending the wrong

Filling the chasms
Between thoughts
Words and
Deeds

Pour in stillness
Like whiskey into a glass
Drink it like a tonic
Let peace work its way in

Let the perennial stream flow
Through these words

Eroding sharp-edged rhetoric
And iron clad hypocrisy

To the point where action
Brings form to ideas
And the give and take of my days
Finds balance

Where darkness is transformed
Into just another
Form of light
And a cacophony

Of song from every creature
Can be heard and honoured
Each, a vital component
Of this symphony of life!

This is my world
This reality that smacks-up
Against the speed
The desecration

The desperation
That isolation
And frenzy brings…
Choose differently

Choose to sing, to chant
To drum this day into being
Because creation, in all its horrific wonder
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Doug Aldworth, June 2018

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Pink Tea and Women's Rights

Historically, gatherings known as "pink teas" were occasions for women to organize and strategize in their pursuit of women's rights. These gatherings were often executed in ultra-feminine guise, which hid behind such established female frivolities as frilly decorations, pink doilies, and rose-coloured tea. Men who thought these teas too feminine to attend generally avoided these gatherings. A pink tea offered the disguise of a frivolous social affair, but in reality it was an occasion to accommodate women whose disapproving husbands, relatives or peers did not want them engaging in politics.

> ***"The purpose of a woman's life is just the same as the purpose of a man's life: that she may make the best possible contribution to the generation in which she is living."***
>
> — Louise McKinney

When women were campaigning for the right to vote in the early 1900s, their suffrage meetings were frequently disrupted by angry opponents. Many women were forbidden by their husbands and fathers to attend these meetings, and others simply did not have the confidence to do so because of the strong, chaotic opposition.

How was pink tea made? Kashmiri tea or pink tea, is a traditional beverage from Kashmir, made with special tea leaves salt and milk, and is usually brewed in a samovar. A cup of pink tea is often accompanied by nuts and dried fruit. A pinch of baking soda gives it the pink colour. The pink tea tradition was most likely started by the English women of husbands who were serving in the Indian subcontinent during the 19th and early 20th centuries, and the tradition was eventually transported to the rest of what was then the British Empire, including Canada.

Why tea? For women, their political movements needed sheltered spaces in which views could be exchanged. During the 19th century women attended hundreds of suffrage meetings in Britain's town halls and assembly halls. There were few places outside the home in which they could congregate informally. It was only towards the end of the century that middle-class women were able to move, without any vestige of social censure, out of the home and in the streets. This, consequently, caused a new type of business – the café, tea room or restaurant designed with women in mind. These were places women could visit – either alone or in company – where their presence was not seen as an invitation to harassment and where they could eat and drink without breaching propriety.

In Ontario, widening public debate about suffrage and women's rights produced the Toronto Women's Literary Club, a group devoted to higher education and intellectual development as well as to the physical welfare and employment conditions of women workers. To the TWLC, extending the vote to women would help to improve women's safety as well as their chances of employment and education. The TWLC was created in 1876–77 by Dr. Emily Howard Stowe, one of Canada's first female doctors; she and her daughter, Dr. Augusta Stowe-Gullen, spearheaded Ontario's suffrage campaign for 40 years. In 1883, TWLC became the Toronto Women's Suffrage Association, which in 1889 became the Dominion Women's Enfranchisement Association. From the 1880s on, many Ontario unionists and socialists, including Knights of Labor journalist Thomas Phillips Thompson, also endorsed women's suffrage.

Suffragists were not a homogeneous group; nor did they focus only on suffrage. Campaigns also called for improved public health, equality in employment and education, social assistance and condemnation of violence.

Besides the colour pink for tea, yellow, the colour of gold, and the symbol of wisdom in the East, was the badge of equal suffragists all over Canada and U.S., and was used for decorations at all meetings of the hall. Some of the mottos used were "Canada's Daughters Should be Free," "No Sex in Citizenship," "Women are half the People," and "Woman, Man's Equal."

Teas have played a significant role in the progression of women's rights. After winning the right to vote, the pink teas continued with the Famous Five. The five women, Emily Murphy, Irene Marryat Parlby, Nellie Mooney McClung, Louise Crummy McKinney and Henrietta Muir Edwards, created a petition seeking to have women legally considered "persons" so that they could be appointed to the Senate. This was passed in Oct. 18, 1929.

This article is part of an ongoing campaign to build awareness about the struggles and progress of women's rights. 2018 marks the 100th anniversary for women's right to vote federally. The Minden Hills Museum will be hosting A Celebration of Women's Voting Rights on Saturday, Sept. 15 starting at 12 p.m. If you would like to be a part of this event please contact Laurie Carmount at gallery@mindenhills.ca.

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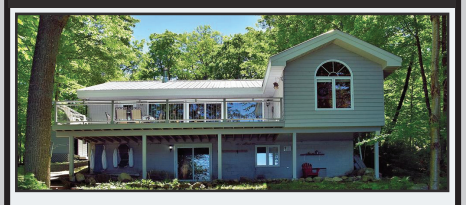

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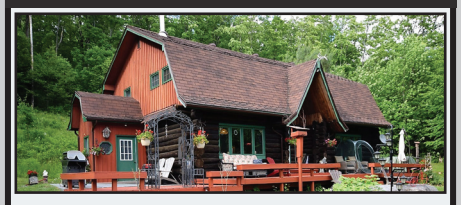

Rustic charming 2 storey. Main floor living area, wood cookstove, laundry/ 2pc, 2nd sty bedrms & 4pc. 3 Bay garage. Waterfalls & pond. Privacy, nature & wildlife galore! This is country living!
$574,000

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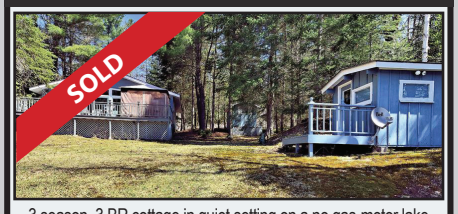

3 season, 3 BR cottage in quiet setting on a no gas-motor lake. Private location, level lot. Yr rnd road. Sunny south exposure. Bright open living & dining area combined. 3 tidy outbuildings with lots of room for tools & toys. Just pack your clothes and move into this turn-key cottage! **$349,900**

VACANT LAND

North Shore Rd Lot, 2.8 Ac $49,000	Cty Rd 21, 44 Acres $375,000
Twist Lane, 1/2 Ac Lot.....$25,000	Cty Rd 21, 88 Acres $525,000
Little Hawk Lake Rd, 1.4 Ac. $27,000	LISTED & SOLD in 1 Day
Ross Lk Rd, 2.2 Ac $28,500	Hadlington Road, 10 Acre.....$17,500
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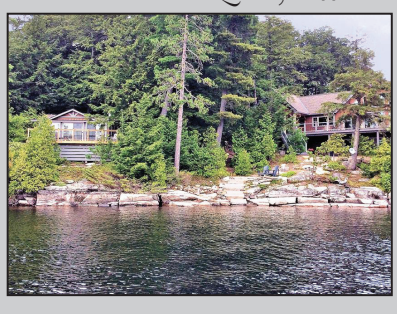
Kennisis Lake, Elmhurst Lane



$2,257,500 Spectacular Normerica Timberframe home or cottage. Custom quality throughout. Breathtaking open lake southwest view visible from every room. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths including a fully finished walkout lower level. 2 bedroom guest cabin close to the lake, brings the sleeping capacity to 18. 280 feet of shoreline, private & stunning with both shallow pebble beach and deep water ledge. Impressive landscaping with granite stairs & patios. 1600 sq ft of deck and dock space.

UPCOMING Community Events

PARISH HOME INSPECTIONS

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.

Upcoming Events

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, August 8, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided.
For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

"Rock Our World," Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Fundraising Dance

When: Friday, Aug. 10
Where: Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain St, Haliburton
Time: doors open 6:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Admission: early bird $30 after July 1 $35
Gather your friends and come out to support the HHLT for this evening of fun and dancing! Jazz cover band and silent auction to start, then live music by Jamie Williams Entertainment until 11:30 p.m. Enjoy appetizers, entertainment, and a live auction! A great time for all! Funds raised will go towards protecting the land you love for future generations. Please check our website for details, or phone our office at 705-457-3700.

Discovering Dragonflies

When: Saturday, Aug. 11
Where: Location to be announced
Have you marveled at the beauty and variety of dragonflies here in Haliburton County? Join our leaders Dennis Barry, and his wife Margaret Carney, as they introduce you to some of the many dragonfly species that make the Highlands their home. Wander through fields, forest and along shoreline as you learn. Some nets and containers will be provided but if you have your own, bring them along. Details will be posted on our website at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Funded in part by TD Friends of the Environment.

Kinmount Family Funfest

When: Sat. Aug. 11, 4 to 9 p.m.
Where: Free Downtown Street Party!
Live entertainment with Gord Kidd, Woolley Wonderland Critter Visit, Classic Cars, Model Railway, Fur Harvesters, Wildlife Caller, Chicken Poop Bingo, Pizza Eating Contest, Vendors, Bouncy Castle, Air Brush Tattoos, Face Painting, Archery, BBQ, Raffles, Draws, Great Food & More! New this year: Kinmount Roots Art Show & Sale at Kinmount Artisans Marketplace.
Vendor space $10. Call to book. 705 488 2919.
Wanted: Classic Car Kruz-In Participants. Call 705 488 1706.
Rain location Kinmount Community Centre with limited activities.
Visit Kinmount Family Funfest on Facebook or kinmount.ca for more info.

Journey for Health

When: Sunday, Aug. 12, starting at 9 a.m.
Where: Austin Sawmill Heritage Park.
The Kinmount and District Health Centre is actively recruiting a third doctor for our Medical Centre. Pledge sheets are available on line at "doctorwanted.org" or in Kinmount at the Pharmacy, the medical centre or Kawartha Credit Union. Join us ! For more information call Dave McKay 705-488-2175, Yvette Brauer 705-488-2282 or go to doctorwanted.org
Light refreshments will be served.

Lighthouse Church

Moving to new location on August 12
Where: Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre
Please come celebrate with us.

Recurring Events

Bid Euchre

When: Thursday, and every third Sunday, afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Rails End Community Drum Circle
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Rails End Uke Jam
alternate Thursdays (call for dates 705-457-2330)
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Cancer Support Group
Open to anyone who has been diagnosed with or survived cancer. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton Hospital from 1 to 3 p.m. Please contact community support services 705-457-2941 for more information

Al-Anon Minden
When; Monday evenings at 8 p.m.
Where: Hyland Crest (north entrance, follow signs inside building), 6 MacPherson, Minden
Details: For relatives and friends of problem drinkers. For more information call 1-888-425-2666.

Pickleball
When: Thursday nights from 7 to 9:30 p.m..
Starting July 12 to Aug. 16
Where: Haliburton High School gym.
Cost is $2 and rackets are available. Contact Jennifer Coates at 705-749-3787 for further info.

Family Fun Bingo
When: Every Tuesday, 6 p.m.
Where: At the Kinmount Legion
July 3 to Aug. 21

Legion Events

Branch 636 Minden
Monday – Thursday Lunch 12 to 2 p.m.
Tuesday Special liver day, regular menu also.
Friday 12 to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., Fish, Chicken Wings, Fries and Onion Rings.
Daily events:
Monday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Haliburton Highlands Rug Hookers. (every two weeks)
Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Senior art group. 1 to 4 p.m., Bid Euchre,
Wednesday 12 - Meat Draws, 4 butcher quality meats for $1 a ticket. 1 to 4 p.m., Ladies Darts, 5 to 7 p.m. Calorie Counters.
Thursday 7 p.m. Darts. 7 p.m. Euchre
Friday Every second week, Karaoke with Fred and Linda, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday Special Lunch every week with meat Draw at 1 p.m.
Sunday Sports Day 12 to 4:30 p.m.

Branch 624, Wilberforce
Friday Community care lunch 12 p.m.
Everyone 55+ welcome. Call Denise Butler to book 705-448-8865
Wing night 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Jam session 7:30 p.m.
Saturday 20th annual "Best Ball" Golf tournament. $60/player 9 holes, cart, prizes. Trip to Nevada for hole in one. Roast beef dinner, Shuttle Bus available.
Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. SHARP
Monday Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome
Tuesday Executive meeting 7 p.m.
Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome
Upcoming events
Want to get involved? Please let myself 705-727-2417 or the legion 705-448-2221 know if you can help.

Branch 129, Haliburton
Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571
Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.
Tuesdays: Fun Darts starting at 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start Bingo Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. - $500 Jackpot, $1,000 Jackpot - every Wednesday in July and August.
Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start, Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw - 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards
Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 p.m. draw, Tickets are $1 each from noon onwards
Sundays: Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. $6 per person.
Occasional volunteers are needed.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at **(705) 457- 2571**, email **rcl129@bellnet.ca** or visit **haliburtonlegion.com** Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129, everyone is welcome!

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LOOK INSIDE

Big crash

Spectators lined up in Dorset to see a gravel truck accident.

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For the Frost

Vivian Mann is among the talented individuals who are singing for the Frost.

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Muddy waters

The second annual Northern Lights four-wheeler event was down and dirty.

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And the winner is ...

Laurie Carmount presented a photography award to Andy Lamm.

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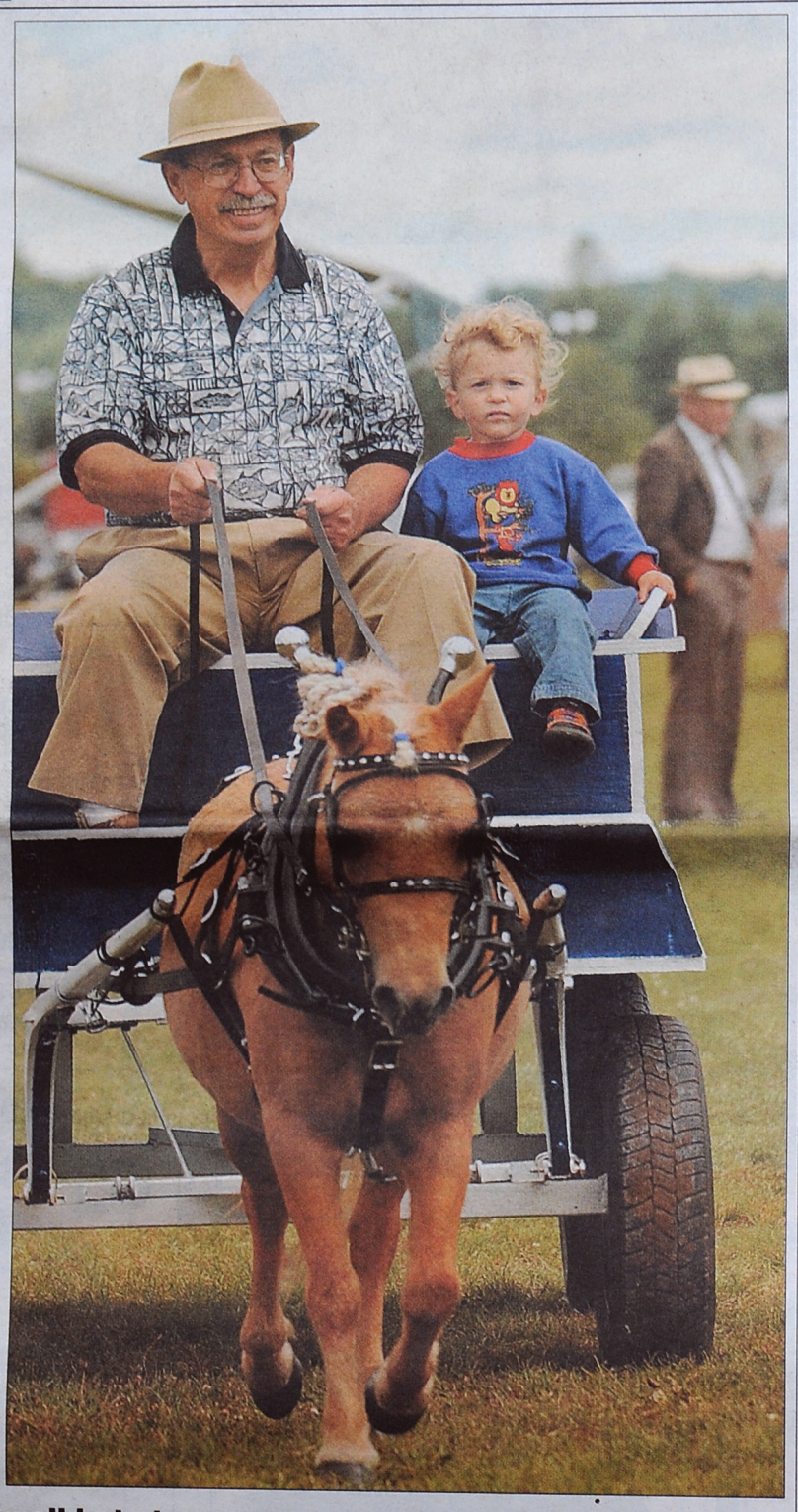
In Quotes

"The hockey dream eludes moms and dads who worry about cost and the safety of their little darlings, but they're just bogeymen. Minor hockey only looks expensive in comparison to doing nothing."

Neil Campbell, page 7



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Small but strong

Local farmer Jim McMahon, who also happens to be the deputy reeve of the Township of Minden Hills, and his grandson Jacob were showing the audience a local miniature horse at the Haliburton County Fair held in Minden last Saturday. For more photos, see page 14.

It's all about love

Hawk Lake rider's love of horses propels her to national status

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
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Watching as Kourtney Matysek gently prepares her horse for an evening ride, it is easy to see that she is in love.

Her movements as she brushes and saddles Jacob suggest a familiarity and an appreciation for the animal's needs and likes.

"I love animals," she says, stroking his nose.

Jacob watches as she moves about him, a look of complete trust and anticipation in his eyes.

"You have to work as a partnership," the 17-year-old explains as Jacob lovingly nuzzles her hand. "Otherwise it doesn't work."

It is obvious from her accomplishments that Matysek has found a formula that works well for her.

Within the Canadian Pony Club – a national club that organizes events and shows for its members – Matysek is a well-respected young rider. For 2004, she earned the title of Reserved Champion in her region, missing a first place finish by just half a point.

And earlier this year, Matysek began training for the tetrathlon, an event that includes riding, swimming, running, and shooting. Despite it being a last-minute decision to compete in the regional event, Matysek placed second and earned enough points to secure herself a position in the national competition.

Held in Nova Scotia earlier this month, the national competition welcomes the best young tetrathletes from across the country.

Out of the 18 competitors, Matysek placed an incredible sixth overall.

The four-day competition is designed to develop practical horsemanship, general athletic ability and sportsmanship.

According to the Pony Club, each of the four events hones skills necessary to make a good rider.

"Tetrathlon develops skilled riders over fences, often riding unfamiliar horses. There is nothing fancy here: no formal riding closes,

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